

HOME NEWS

A good many chancery suits were started for February rules.

Hon. B. F. Martin, ex-Congressman, of Grafton, is dead.

See S. W. Holt's announcement in another column.

Capt. John Peters piloted a raft through the chute of the splash dam the other day, the first time it has been done.

It is reported that a man named Arbogast froze to death near Circleville, in Pendleton County, recently.

Three hundred and twenty-one bills had been introduced into the Legislature up to last Saturday, the result of the first fifteen days' work.

S. W. Holt begins to-day to put down his winter stock at low-water mark to clear it out for his spring goods.

An old lady of near 80 years, living near Marlinton, has never been farther away from her home than to Hillsboro, a distance of eleven miles.

Married, near Jacox, January 16, 1895, by Rev. S. C. Morgan, Mr. Benjamin F. Clark, of Greenbrier, and Miss Nannie Dean, second daughter of Joseph B. Dean.

The weather in this part of the world is still very cold and winter like. The farmers are already wishing they had mowed closer to the ground or cut out a few more fence corners last summer.

About 8,000,000 feet of lumber will be driven down Knapp's Creek this spring. There will be two drives. The first will be ready to commence in two or three weeks. A good many logs are already in the creek between Driscoll and Marlinton.

George S. Taylor, a good blacksmith, has bought the old Indian Draft school-house and will set up at that place. For the last two years he has lived at Huttonsville, in Randolph County, where his family were much troubled with sickness.

There will be shooting match at Wm. Gibson's barn on Elk, next Tuesday. The principle prize is a Winchester rifle. The match will be formed among the marksmen present, who will each use his own rifle. Distance, sixty yards with rest or forty yards off-hand. Rules will be adopted by the marksmen to govern the proceedings on the day of meeting.

A sort of distemper is very prevalent among the horses just now. A veteran in the horse line gives this remedy: Put a little indigo in a rag, and water the horse with water which has been discolored by dipping the indigo in it. To get the horse to drink, it is necessary to water him from a bucket, and to offer him no water but what has been treated in this manner.

From a letter from Lexington, Va., in a recent issue of the Staunton News we learn that Levi Gay, Esq., has recently purchased, at \$6,000, the fine old Dunlap farm on Kerr's Creek in Rockbridge county, containing about 347 acres. Whether Mr. Gay proposes to move to Rockbridge or not, we have not learned. If so, Pocahontas will lose a prominent, public spirited and valuable citizen.—Mr. Gay informs us that he is not going to move to Rockbridge as long as we let him stay here, and unless he changes a good deal, his presence will be endured.

Do not forget that next Saturday is ground-hog day. If on that day the sun shines enough for the ground-hog to see his shadow the winter will close down on us for six more weeks. If it is a cloudy day throughout the winter is broken, and we can look for warmer weather. The ground-hogs, which have been hibernating in their burrows, awake and come out to make their observations. If they do not see their shadows they do not go to hole again, but if the sun is shining they take another sleep of six weeks. It is very seldom but what the sun shines at some time during a winter day, and their is always enough bad weather to justify the belief, after the 2nd day of February.

When work or material is furnished a strange contractor on time, and unlimited credit is given him, presently that contractor throws up the job, and leaves his creditors behind him. A very sad incidence of this way of doing business happened recently at Marlinton, which we cannot mention more specifically now. These creditors are in very much the same state of mystification about the funds available, as are the creditors of a certain railroad company in Randolph, in which over a hundred citizens lost sums varying from \$30 up to \$2,500. The *Elkins News* says, "The whole matter is in the courts and the lawyers and the corporation are writing it up in different phases; they have got to a point where a common laborer cannot exactly understand the run of the matter, viz: Captain Potts told Colonel Bullock that O. C. Womelsdorff said Mr. Anandale heard Senator Scott tell Lawyer Talbot that Judge Hoke believed that Dr. Yokum thought Col. Brown was sure that L. D. Strader and Balis Ward heard Judge Finley say that President Diller knew there was no available funds in the treasury of the Roaring Creek and Charleston R. R. Company, for the time being."

Ed. Times: I has been mentioned as attending a 'Bag-party.' What am de same? COLORED SUBSCRIBER.—We have heard a "bag-party" defined as being the occasion when one or more persons take bags and go out and fill them with grain or poultry from other people's preserves. The proper time for holding one is any time after midnight. The "darky's hour" is especially adapted to a bag party. This is the most popular season of the year. Some people carry the thing to excess and live to regret it. Never be caught attending one.

The court-house contractors claim that they have secured some of the prettiest oak for finishing the court-house they have ever seen. The oak cost them six dollars per thousand, and they inform us that if they had bought it in a city that it would have cost about sixty dollars per thousand. The oak is all first class.

We thankfully acknowledge the receipt of valuable reports and public documents from Auditor Johnson, Governor MacCorkle, Labor Commissioner Sydenstricker, State Superintendent Lewis, Adjutant General Holley, and Attorney General Riley.

Reports from the neighboring counties are to the effect that the Sheriffs are finding it almost impossible to collect enough taxes to pay the school drafts. This county is no exception.

Mr. H. A. Yeager has qualified as postmaster at this place and will take charge of the same the first day of February. The postoffice will be located near the East end of the county bridge.

If you believe in keeping comfortable, come to S. W. Holt's for Clothing, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Dress Goods—all lower than the lowest.

The Cumberland Lumber Co., will drive its logs to Ronceverte this year. The arks are being put in near Dunmore.

Col. Meachan's Railroad.

This road is to come to this point from Harrisonburg, Va. It utilizes the old narrow gauge grade extending into Highland. It crosses the Alleghany near Frost and follows the course of Knapp's Creek to its mouth. The pass through the Alleghany is considered one of the most practicable routes through that mountain. Last week a public meeting was held in Harrisonburg to consider the advisability of subscribing \$150,000 to its construction, as it threatens to leave the county to its right if this is not done. The proposition was met with universal favor by all present. The money, if paid, is subscribed on the condition that the road is to be completed before payment, and by January 1st, 1897. That will put us off several years later, but think how much sooner it will reach Marlinton than the Ohio River, toward which it is building.

When everybody can reform everybody else the bow of promise will be a fixture.

ARRESTED!

Our Hillsboro Correspondent gives the particulars of the arrest of the two Negroes.

HILLSBORO, W. VA., Jan. 29, 1895.—On last Friday, Jaspar Payne while on his way from the railroad was passed by two colored men near Falling Spring, coming this way walking; one of them he recognized as Alex. Armstrong who formerly lived in this neighborhood. Knowing that Armstrong had been suspected of having a hand in the robbery of Capt. A. M. Edgar about that time in '94, it occurred to him that the people here would like to apprehend him, so he went to Mr. Thomas Edgar, living near Falling Spring, and put him in possession of what he knew. Mr. Edgar immediately set out for this place, and arriving considerably in advance of Armstrong and his associate, made all necessary preparations for their arrest. They reached this place about dark, and were allowed to pass through. Shortly afterward Deputy Sheriff E. K. Burns with three men started after them and overtaking them near Marvin Chapel, he called on them to throw up their hands which they did after some hesitation. They were told that they were suspected of the robbery of Capt. Edgar in January, '94 and placed under arrest. A search of their persons brought to light, two revolvers, a mace, some gunpowder and a box of vaseline. Armstrong, who told different parables on his way here, that his name was Biggs, now gave his true name and that of his associate, whom he said was Cumberland. The officers brought them back to Capt. Edgar's where they were kept during the night. The next day (Saturday) Pros. Attorney L. M. McClintic, who had been sent for, arrived, and the prisoners were brought to the H. M. & F. Academy, for a preliminary hearing before Justice G. R. Curry.

Considerable excitement prevailed, and old and young, big and little from the town and surrounding country, eager to see and hear, filled the building to its utmost capacity.

The testimony of Capt. and Mrs. Edgar, Mrs. Isaac Smith and daughter, Mr. Edgar Beard, Chas. Lee and Edward Stewart, was now taken. Capt. and Mrs. Edgar testified that in many ways the men bore a strong resemblance to the parties who robbed them in January '94, and that they believed that they were the same men. Mrs. Isaac Smith and daughter, testified that they were very much like the men who ate breakfast with them a short time before the robbery, and that they believed that they were the same men. The other witnesses testified that they bore a marked resemblance to the men they had seen in the neighborhood just before the robbery. Chas. Lee (colored) stated that "They filled the bill exactly."

Justice Curry finding the evidence sufficient to hold the prisoners, and they not being able to defend themselves or give bail, sent them to jail to await the action of the next grand jury court. Cumberland who was traveling with Armstrong has a repulsive face stoops a little when he walks, and talks incoherently. He says that he can prove himself clear, and that he and Armstrong were on their way to Bath county, Va., to visit friends.

Armstrong, a bright mulatto, stoutly built, and a smooth talker is well known here, having lived here for a good many years. He was born in Highland county, Va., and brought here when he was quite young. He lived here until about 12 years ago, when he went to Marietta, Ohio. There he claims he has been since that time. For some time he has borne an unsavory reputation, and his poor effort at self vindication at the trial, and his covert way of coming into the country, all tend to strengthen the belief of many persons here, that he is guilty of the crime with which he is charged.

SOCIETY ITEM.

On the 14th, day of February (St. Valentine's day) Misses Jessie and Lucy Renick will give an entertainment for the young people. They promise something different from the ordinary run of entertainments and no doubt all who attend will have much fun and enjoyment.

NEW SORT OF PIG.

Andrew Carter living near this

place owns a pig about two months old, with two well developed tails. This is not a fabrication, but a living reality, and Carter will take pleasure in showing all doubting persons this wonderful freak of nature. "JENKINS."

Personal.

It is reported that Mr. Washington Moore, of Sunset, is seriously ill. Also his son, Points, is much complaining.

Messrs. E. I. Holt and N. J. Brown, of the Levels, made a trip to Randolph County, last week.

Mr. G. H. McLaughlin has returned from a visit to Greenbrier County.

Mr. Charles Steinmeyer is stopping with Captain Smith.

Mr. J. C. Gay made this town a business visit last Monday.

Mr. Will Harper, of Sunset, was in town on Tuesday.

AT HUNTERSVILLE.

H. P. McGlaughlin, Esq., of Huntersville, was here on Tuesday. His family has been visited with a scourge of typhoid fever. He reports his boys as well, and his wife able to be up and about.

Mrs. Lanty Herold has been quite ill, but is much better.

Mrs. Mary Baylow is somewhat improved in health, which was not so good some time since.

Dr. Austin, of Green Bank, spent Saturday night in Huntersville, on his way to Lewisburg to see his little girl, who is suffering from whooping cough.

Mrs. J. C. Loury has about recovered from her recent severe illness.

Mr. J. J. Beard is confined to his room.

The sympathies of this community were deeply aroused by the recent and sad decease of Miss Minnie McElwee, eldest daughter of Mr. Divers McElwee, of Driscoll. She was a very popular and estimable young lady. Her sufferings were very intense and protracted.

In Memoriam.

In memory of Minnie McElwee, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. McElwee, who departed this life January 12th, 1895, after an illness of several months. She was just blooming into womanhood, beloved by all who knew her. Her death, though expected, was a great shock to her many friends. Our loss is her eternal gain. Fully trusting in the promises of her Savior she passed away.

Tread softly, be still,
An angel has been our guest,
And borne the spirit of our darling
Home to the realms of rest.

She is sweetly asleep in Jesus,
A trace of care upon her brow,
A lovely rose on earth just blooming
But transplanted in heaven now.

Oh! the lovely, glorious visions
That her eyes do now behold,
And her feet so softly treading
O'er the streets of pearl and gold.

Weep not, mother, for thy jewel,
With God beyond the utmost star,
Think of her as a lovely angel
Holding the beautiful gates ajar.

A FRIEND.

FOR YOU
if this notice should lead you to purchase your clothing, hats, caps and shoes of P. GOLDEN, it will not have been in vain

N. B. If you don't happen to see this notice, please call at my store between the hours of 7 a. m. and 11:30 p. m.

An Ecstasy.

From the Detroit Free Press.

She put her arms around his neck,
And for a season
He disappeared from earthly gaze,
As stars are hid in sunlight days;
Those lovely arms, so wondrous soft
and fair,
Were in those monstrous sleeves that
women wear—
That was the reason.

Notice to Taxpayers.

All parties whose tax remains unpaid, must make preparations to settle on my next call or give me property to satisfy same.

Respectfully,
R. K. BURNS,
Deputy-Sheriff.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

NOTICE!

I will offer for sale or rent, my store-house and lot at Lobelia. A first class stand for a store. No opposition. Seven miles from Academy, and ten from Renick's Valley. Four miles from turnpike, and near the line of the B. & O. R. R. survey. A promising town.

Lobelia, W. Va. W. B. HILL.

Lobelia.
Cold and freezing; still good sleighing.

The sick are about well. Miss Susan Ray, of Bruffey's Creek has pneumonia but is improving.

A. L. Anderson's school closed on Beaver Dam, and he is at home again to help "papa" make sugar.

Rev. S. C. Morgan started to Elk to visit his daughter and friends.

The next quarterly meeting will be held the 4th Saturday and Sunday of February, at this place by Rev. E. R. Little P. E.

Mr. R. W. Hill is preparing to build a large barn where the other was burned last fall, with P. M. Townsend, sawyer.

Squire Bruffey is teaching a good school at Pleasant Valley.

G. P. Hill who has been sick for ten weeks is still unable to be out.

Some fox chasing, but no foxes killed yet.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

While Wm. Workman was returning from a hunt, driving his horse before him, the horse turned out of the path. He used his gun to guide it back. The gun was accidentally discharged, killing the animal instantly. One barrel of the gun burst and hurt one of his hands. This happened on Black Mountain.

MARBLE QUARRY.

We understand that Capt. McNeel has been offered \$30 per acre for his land underlaid with marble.

Dunmore.

Behold it snoweth! and the wind bloweth, and E. F. and C. O. Arbogast goeth to mill at Mill Point with two sled loads of wheat.

The drummers, English sparrows, and robins have made their appearance in our town.

Professor Adams is meeting with quite a success in his singing schools.

Mr. H. N. Moore was up for his bees this week.

C. P. Kerr, the American Constable, was in town this week.

Mr. Chris. McLaughlin is in the Levels this week with his best girl.

Mr. Percy Noel took Miss Josie Walker to the Levels last week.

Mr. Harry Taylor is off to Huttonsville for a new wagon.

George S. Taylor is moving to Edray.

Rev. E. F. Alexander was in town Sunday and Monday.

The sick are improving.

Mr. Phil Edmiston is home from the Davis lumber camp.

We understand the people are going to build a new church at Point Lookout, two miles above Green Bank.

Green Bank.

Winter! Yes indeed, winter cold and favorable and warm and cloudy and clear and snowing and still snowing and feed is getting scarce but grain plenty.

Mr. Sam'l Sheets, of Dunmore, was in our town on Monday, but oh! so hard to part with, oh dear me! we won't tell.

Mr. J. C. Crowley was among his friends at this place Monday, and reports the snow as badly drifted on the top of Cheat.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. George Cooper, Mrs. E. O. Moore, Mr. Tom Patterson, Mr. George Rayburn and Mrs. J. O. Beard's little daughter, Dr. L. L. Little attending physician.

Messrs. C. O. Arbogast and E. F. Arbogast started to day for Mill Point for a load of flour.

We are glad to see Mr. George Rayburn out again after a severe illness.

We are glad to see Mr. Ellis Curry out again.

J. H. Curry is trying to work, but can do but little on account of his hand not being sound, he is having a bad time, and says he may have to go to the poor farm soon.

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Justice's blanks fifty cents per hundred. All job work neatly done.

Good bye till next week.